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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :  
MINORU FUKUDA : GROUP: 3652  
SERIAL NO: 09/745,471 : EXAMINER: C. FOX  
FILED: December 26, 2000 :  
FOR: SHEET CONVEYING DEVICE WITH A SHEET STORAGE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 43 of this paper.